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R 150853Z MAR 74

FM AMEMBASSY ANKARA

TO TUSLOG DET 10 INCIRLIK CDI TURKEY/ACF

DIVENGR MED LEGHORN ITALY (MDDVC)

SECSTATE WASHDC 3204

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E. O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN, MARR, TU

SUBJ: PAYMENT TO TURKISH CONTRACTORS

REF: A. TUSLOG DET 10 ACF MSG DTG 120603Z MAR 74

RETRANSMITTING DIVENGR LEGHORN MSG DTG 070827Z MAR 74;

B. STATE 144982 MSG DTG 101542Z AUG 1972.

1. EMBASSY SEES NO OBJECTION TO CORPS OF ENGINEERS' STATING CONTRACTS WITH TURKISH CONSTRUCTION FIRMS IN DOLLARS NOR TO MAKING PAYMENT IN DOLLARS. PAYMENT BY USG IN DOLLARS FOR SERVICES IN TURKEY IN ACCORD TURKISH LAW AND IN INTEREST USG AS US DOLLAR-GENERATED LIRA BALANCES CONTINUE TO DECLINE. IN FACT, SINCE BEGINNING FY 1974, USG HAS HAD TO PURCHASE TURKISH LIRA WITH DOLLARS BECAUSE LIRA BALANCES INSUFFICIENT FOR LIRA REQUIREMENTS AND ARE EXPECTED TO REMAIN SO FOR AT LEAST FOUR YEARS.

2. TURKISH AUTHORITIES IN PAST HAVE POINTED OUT ADVANTAGES TURKISH CURRENCY REGULATIONS PROVIDE TO LOCAL CONTRACTORS EARNING HARD CURRENCY. DOLLAR PAYMENT SHOULD THUS BE USEFUL LEVER IN NEGOTIATING FUTURE CONTRACTS WITH TURKISH FIRMS.

3. EMBASSY KNOWS OF NO IMPEDIMENT TO PAYING CONTRACTOR BY DOLLAR INSTRUMENT MAILED DIRECTLY TO PAYEE'S BANK IN TURKEY.

4. DET 10 FINANCE OFFICE WILL HAVE TO SPEAK TO QUESTION OF UNCLASSIFIED

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ITS ACTING AS DISBURSING OFFICE FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT.

5. IN VIEW OF CHANGE FROM GUIDANCE REF B, DEPARTMENT  
CONCURRENCE IN GUIDANCE GIVEN PARA 1, ABOVE, REQUESTED.  
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